RHIC & AGS UEC Minutes May 13, 2005

Present: Gary Westfall, Peter Steinberg, Tom Schlagel, John Hill, John Lajoie, Tom Throwe, Robert Bennett, Mark Dierckxsens, Dave Kawall, Imran Younus, Christine Aidala, Mike Sivertz, Abhay Deshpande, Brant Johnson, Kelly Guiffreda, Michael Murray, Bruce Gibbard, Carla Vale, Yufeng Hu, Jincheng Zheng, Mark Sakitt, Susan White-Depace, Sally Dawson, Howard Gordon, Christine Carter, Satoshi Ozaki, Steve Kettell, Barbara Erazmus.

On phone: George Stephans

Update on Security & Overview of HSPD 12 - T. Schlagel, ITD (see presentation)

Homeland Security Presidential Directive 12

- regards access to all federally controlled facilities and information systems
- applies to all government organizations and contractors
- an un-funded mandate
- whether or not it applies to guests and remote users is at the discretion of the agency
- trying to get the DOE policy to exclude guests and/or remote users may be the best way to simplify implementation at BNL
- BNL has a Personal Identification Verification (PIV) working group, but users are not currently well represented

ASAP Update - Christine Carter and Imran Younus (see presentation)

- ASAP board has been elected
- CrossTalk, research presentations by students and post-docs for students and post-docs in other departments, starts today!
- Lounge location and ASAP budget remain ongoing issues

Update on Budget - Sam Aronson - Cancelled.

Proposed Changes to Rules for Export Controls - Mark Sakitt

- concern over foreign nationals in the U.S. working with controlled technology and taking controlled knowledge back to their home countries
- rule change would not distinguish between equipment repair/maintenance and equipment use
- completely impractical to issue individual licenses for use of all devices at BNL containing controlled technology
- would have large impact on other labs and universities as well
- a letter has been written commenting on the impracticality of the rule change, and other institutions are writing similar letters

UEC Trip to D.C. - Gary Westfall (see presentation)

Iowa State Trip to D.C. - John Hill (see presentation)

Final Plans for Annual Meeting - Brant Johnson (see presentation)

- workshop summaries now split into theory and experimental talks
- C-AD End-Of-Run Party will be Friday afternoon

Discussion on Ethics - George Stephans & Michael Murray

- George drafted a statement and will send a revised version over e-mail
- E-mail vote by the UEC will be held on whether or not to adopt the statement

Proposed Changes to UEC Charter - Brant Johnson (see presentation)

- add a vote to the annual Users' elections to decide whether/how to expand UEC membership
- an additional, second election was proposed if in the regular election it is decided to expand UEC membership